

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

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RE:

MUR 5178

Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee and Howard Wolfson, as

treasurer

Dear Mr. Rylander:

On March 7, 2001, the Federal Election Commission notified your clients, the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee and its treasurer, of a complaint alleging violations of certain sections of the Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended.

On September 5, 2001, the Commission found, on the basis of the information in the complaint, and information provided by the respondents, that there is no reason to believe the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee and Howard Wolfson, as treasurer, violated 2 U.S.C. §§ 441a(a)(2)(A) and 441a(d). Accordingly, the Commission closed its file in this matter. A copy of the First General Counsel's Report is enclosed for your information.

The confidentiality provisions at 2 U.S.C. § 437g(a)(12) no longer apply and this matter is now public. In addition, although the complete file must be placed on the public record within 30 days, this could occur at any time following certification of the Commission's vote. If you wish to submit any factual or legal materials to appear on the public record, please do so as soon as possible. While the file may be placed on the public record before receiving your additional materials, any permissible submissions will be added to the public record upon receipt.

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If you have any questions, please contact Michael E. Scurry, the attorney assigned to this matter, at (202) 694-1650.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

First General Counsel's Report